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| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address Period for Reply | |
| A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely. - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). - Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). Status | |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>20 March 2003</u> . | |
| 2a)⊠ This action is FINAL . 2b)□ This action is non-final. | |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | |
| Disposition of Claims | |
| 4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-35</u> is/are pending in the application. | |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>24-35</u> is/are withdrawn from consideration. | |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. | |
| 6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-23</u> is/are rejected. | |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. | |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. | |
| Application Papers | |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | |
| 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner. | |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). 11) The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a) approved b) disapproved by the Examiner. | |
| If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action. | |
| 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120 | |
| 13) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). | |
| a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of: | |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | |
| 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No | |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. | |
| 14) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application). | |
| a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. | |
| 15) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121. Attachment(s) | |
| 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 6) Other: | |

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1. Applicant's election with traverse of Group I in Paper No. 5 is acknowledged.

The traversal is on the ground(s) that the applicant declares that the product cannot be made by the technique cited by the examiner. This is not found persuasive because the declaration has not provided why the inventor feels that the proposed method would not

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work.

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

2. Claims 24-35 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR

1.142(b), as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or

linking claim. Applicant timely traversed the restriction (election) requirement in Paper

No. 5.

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that

form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United

States.

4. Claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by

Montcalm et al (5,958,605).

The rejection is maintained for reasons of record in paper No.2. Applicant's

arguments filed 3-20-03 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

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The declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 filed 3-20-03 is insufficient to overcome the rejection of claims 1-23 based upon Montcalm et al as set forth in the last Office action because: no factual evidence has been provided that the bottom layer would not prevent inter diffusion. The applicant is also reminded that Montcalm et al discloses a mixed layer numeral 36, in fig. 1B, that need to be addressed as well, in the declaration.

5. Claims 1,3-6,9,10,13-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Mikarimi et al (6,011,646).

The rejection is maintained for reasons of record in paper No.2. Applicant's arguments filed 3-20-03 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. The applicant has failed to show that since the same components are used how the claimed property is not provided for, and thus the rejection stands. The applicant is reminded that the claimed invention is not limited to having another layer above the top overcoat.

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the

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shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later

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than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

7. Any inquiry regarding this communication or earlier communications from the

Examiner should be directed to Archene Turner, whose telephone number is (703) 308-

4344. The Examiner can normally be reached Monday to Thursday from 8:30 AM to

6:00 PM.

A facsimile center has been established in Group 1700, Crystal Plaza 2, 8th floor,

reception area. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 8:45 AM to 4:45 PM.

The telecopier number for accessing the facsimile machine is (703) 305-3599 (for

official after final faxes) or (703) 305-5408 (for all other official faxes). This location

should be used in all instances when faxing any correspondence to Art Unit 1775. Use

of the Group 1700 center will facilitate rapid delivery of materials to Examiners in Art

Unit 1775.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should

be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

A. A. Turner

Primary Examiner

Group 1700